



**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION**

**NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION**

[OMB Control No. 9000-0173]

[Docket 2012-0076; Sequence 52]

**Information Collection; Limitations on Pass-Through Charges**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Regulatory Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve a previously approved information collection requirement regarding Limitations on Pass-Through Charges.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before **[Insert date 60 days after date of publication in the Federal Register]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments identified by **Information Collection 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges** by any of the following methods:

- Regulations.gov: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Submit comments via the Federal eRulemaking portal by searching the OMB control number. Select the link "Submit a Comment" that corresponds with "Information Collection 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges". Follow the instructions provided at the "Submit a Comment" screen. Please include your name, company name (if any), and "Information Collection 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges" on your attached document.

- Fax: 202-501-4067.
- Mail: General Services Administration, Regulatory

Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20417. ATTN: Hada Flowers/IC 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges.

Instructions: Please submit comments only and cite Information Collection 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges, in all correspondence related to this collection. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal and/or business confidential information provided.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Edward N. Chambers, Procurement Analyst, Office of Acquisition Policy, at telephone (202) 501-3221 or via e-mail to [Edward.chambers@gsa.gov](mailto:Edward.chambers@gsa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**A. Purpose**

To enable contracting officers to verify that pass-through charges are not excessive, the provision at 52.215-22 requires offerors submitting a proposal for a contract, task order, or delivery order to provide the following information with its proposal: (1) The percent of effort the offeror intends to perform and the percent expected to be performed by each subcontractor. (2) If the offeror intends to subcontract more than 70 percent of the total

cost of work to be performed— (i) The amount of the offeror's indirect costs and profit/fee applicable to the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s); and (ii) A description of the value added by the offeror as related to the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s). (3) If any subcontractor intends to subcontract to a lower-tier subcontractor more than 70 percent of the total cost of work to be performed under its subcontract— (i) The amount of the subcontractor's indirect costs and profit/fee applicable to the work to be performed by the lower-tier subcontractor(s); and (ii) A description of the value added by the subcontractor as related to the work to be performed by the lower-tier subcontractor(s).

#### **B. Annual Reporting Burden**

The estimated annual reporting burden is slightly increased from that published in the Federal Register at 75 FR 77741, on December 13, 2010. Based on data, from the Federal Procurement Data System, for fiscal year 2011, an upward adjustment is made to the estimated annual reporting burden.

Respondents: 25,892.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.014676.

Total Responses 26,272.

Hours Per Response: .514464.

Total Burden Hours: 13,516.

**OBTAINING COPIES OF PROPOSALS:** Requesters may obtain a copy of the information collection documents from the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (MVCB), 1275 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20417, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0173, Limitations on Pass-Through Charges, in all correspondence.

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